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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Application No. 10/809,790; Filed: March 26, 2004
For: Targeted MHC Class I Alpha3 Vaccine Delivery Systems
Inventors: ZAUDERER *et al.*
Our Ref: 1843.0120001/EKS/AJK

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. SKGF Cover Letter;
2. Information Disclosure Statement;
3. A listing of the cited documents on form PTO-1449;
4. Copies of the cited documents (AL1-AP1, AR1-AT1, AR2-AT2, AR3-AT3, AR4-AT4, AR5-AT5, AR6-AT6, AR7-AT7, AR8-AT8, AR9-AT9, AR10); and
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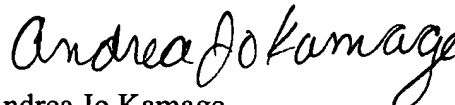
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Listed on accompanying Form PTO-1449 are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98.

Copies of documents **AA1-AI1** are not provided in accordance with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office OG notice of August 5, 2003, which states “[t]he Office hereby waives the requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2)(i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication for all U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003.” A copy of each other document is provided.

The Examiner's attention is directed to the following co-pending U.S. Patent Applications, which are directed to related technical subject matter:

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/833,203, Zauderer *et al.*, filed April 12, 2001, now U.S. Published Patent Application No. 2003/0166277 and cited herewith as document **AH1**; and

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/887,230, Zauderer, M., filed July 9, 2004 and submitted herewith as document **AR10**.

The identification of these U.S. Patent Applications is not to be construed as a waiver of secrecy as to these applications now or upon issuance of the present application as a patent. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the cited applications and the art cited therein during examination.

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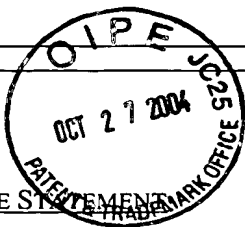
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